



RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED **EXAMINING GROUP 1624** PATENT

Customer No. 22,852

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

LINK et al.

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Application No.: 09/541,795

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## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Further to the Notice of Appeal filed February 25, 2004, and in reply to the Final Office Action dated August 26, 2003, the period for response having been extended to May 25, 2004 by a request for extension of 1 month and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper beginning at p. 2.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper beginning at p. 51.